

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

July 12, 2013

## Via E-Mail

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Re: Alere Inc.

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Filed by Coppersmith Capital Management, LLC et al

File No. 001-16789

Dear Ms. Crawford:

We have the following comment on the filing listed above:

## Exhibit 1 – Investor Presentation by Coppersmith Capital Management

1. Rule 14a-9 prohibits false or misleading statement in soliciting materials. The Note to Rule 14a-9 specifically lists as an example of a potentially false or misleading statement "[p]redictions as to specific future market values." The investor presentation filed as additional soliciting materials on July 11, 2013 contains specific predications concerning the future stock price of Alere if your nominees are elected and their recommended "action plan" can be effectuated. Specifically, your materials state "we believe these actions if properly implemented have the potential to generate a stock price of \$43 to \$58." In the following sentence, you project stock price appreciation from the closing price of Alere's common stock on June 28, 2013 of 74% to 136%. We believe these projections of future value may implicate Rule 14a-9. If you do not agree, please explain

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why in your response letter. Alternatively, revise to address and tell us how you intend to disseminate this revised disclosure. Please avoid similar statements in future soliciting materials.

Please respond to the above comment promptly. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (202) 551-3263.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christina Chalk

Christina Chalk Senior Special Counsel Office of Mergers and Acquisitions